

## HAVING MANIAC USES REVOLVER ON STREET CAR

Kills One and Wounds Two Before He is Finally Knocked Through Window by Fearless Motorman.

## EETS TRAGIC END WITH A SHOT THROUGH HEART

Unusual Tragedy Occurs at Jackson, Ohio, in Which Elmore McNeill May Be Thrice a Murderer.

[Publishers' Press.] Jackson, O., Dec. 9.—Elmore McNeill, twice confined in the Athens asylum because suddenly insane while riding on an interurban street car here this afternoon. He fired two shots at the conductor and missed, both shots striking Superintendent of Schools J. E. Kenneson. McNeill then shot and instantly killed Charles White, a street railway employee who sat opposite to him. Geo. A. Atta, a piano salesman, of Newkirk, Ohio, attempted to take the revolver from the mad man and was fatally wounded. Motorman Stiles rushed into the car and with his pool knocked McNeill through the window.

McNeill jumped up before the passengers could capture him and started on a run toward the city. The authorities were notified by telephone but before policemen reached the scene McNeill was shot and killed. Charles Livesay, one of the owners of the Jackson Mill and Lumber company, was walking near his home when McNeill approached, revolver in hand. Before he had time to fire Livesay drew his revolver and shot McNeill through the heart.

## OLD AGE AT A DINNER

Mrs. Mary Parkins Observed 84th Birthday and Had May Aged Women at Her Home.

Milton, Ind., Dec. 9. (Spl.)—Mrs. Mary Parkins was 84 years old Friday, Dec. 8th, and in honor of the day, her daughter, Mrs. Christ, with whom she lives, gave a dinner party. Among the guests was Mrs. Catherine Wallace, whose birthday is the same day and her age 83 years. The other guests and their ages were: Mrs. Elizabeth Atkinson, 76; Mrs. Lydia Ferris, 74; Mrs. Rebecca Wike, 79; Mrs. James Ewers, 77; Mrs. Ellisha Olson, 81; Mrs. Richard Sills, 68; Mrs. Carrie Boyer, 68. The combination of the 84 years and the average age 76½ years.

## FREIGHT BUSINESS GROWS

O. Baker has Been Put in Charge of Freight Traffic on Dayton & Western.

C. O. Baker, formerly city ticket agent for the Dayton & Western in Richmond and lately passenger and freight agent for the entire road has been made general freight agent and hereafter he will give his time exclusively to superintending the moving of freight on the line. The increase in freight traffic has been rapid thus making necessary the change. General passenger agent to do the work formerly handled by Mr. Baker is to be appointed soon.

## HARRY GIVES UP PLACE

Local Polo Player Will not Play on Independent Team Representing Hamilton.

Harry Parry who played at Hamilton with the independent polo team representing that city last week has decided not to take a permanent place on the team. As it is now organized the club plays but one game a week and Parry does not feel like making the trip each week just for one game and he does not want to leave his position here and go to Hamilton. Efforts are being made to form another league in Ohio including Hamilton and it is thought the same will materialize after the holidays. Parry may then consider the matter of playing with the Butler quintet.

## THE WEATHER PROPHET.

INDIANA—Rain, colder Monday; Tuesday fair; fresh northeast winds.  
OHIO—Rain Monday; Tuesday probably fair; fresh northeast to east winds.

## TOUCHES OF REAL WINTER

FELT HERE LAST WEEK

Temperature Kept at City Pumping Station Shows the Thermometer to Have Varied Considerably—Only One Clear Day.

There were some touches of real winter during the week ending Saturday at midnight, though the temperature showed a disposition to vary considerably from the first to the last day. The two coldest days were Sunday and Friday. On Sunday the highest registration of the mercury was 36; the lowest 16. On Friday the highest was 32; the lowest 19. The highest temperature of the week was on Thursday, 60 being the maximum. The rainfall for the week was 60 of an inch. Only one day, Tuesday, was entirely clear.

The temperature by days as reported by Walter Vossler, voluntary observer at the Water company's pumping station, follows:

	Hight.	Low.
December 2	36	16
December 3	40	32
December 4	39	18
December 5	52	26
December 6	60	32
December 7	32	19
December 8	48	18

## PLYE SELLS HIS FARM

Fred Brown Buys Hazelwood Breeding Farm on Arba Pike—Sonsideration About \$10,000.

Z. B. Pyle, proprietor of the Hazelwood Breeding Farm, seven miles north of Richmond on the Arba pike, has disposed of the place to Fred Brown, a farmer of that vicinity. The consideration is said to have been \$10,000. Mr. Pyle, however, retains his blooded horses, the stable including Hazelwood Hal, (2:15) the pacing stallion. During the comparatively short time that Mr. Pyle was located at Hazelwood farm he established a wide reputation in his line and has been eminently successful. He has not decided definitely where he will locate but is sure that he will not leave Wayne county.

## Patrolman Hebble Sick.

Patrolman Harry Hebble is confined at his home 1129 Main street with sickness. He has not been on duty for the past two days. The exact nature of his ailment is not known but his physician states that he has a severe attack of fever.

## One Immigrant Who Has "Made Good"



CAMILLE CLIFFORD, MODERN CINDERELLA AND FUTURE LADY ABERDARE.

Camille Clifford, who recently married the Hon. Henry Lyndhurst Bruce, son and heir of Lord Aberdare, is sometimes called the modern Cinderella. Miss Clifford came to the United States five years ago as a steerage passenger from a Norwegian port, where she had been used as a household drudge by her aunt. She ran away. She was seventeen when she reached Boston, where she hired out as housemaid, scrubbed steps and did the usual duties of her position. It was not long before it was discovered that she had both talent and beauty. She joined an obscure theatrical company, rose rapidly, went to London as the American "Gibson girl" and became a reigning stage beauty. At the death of her father-in-law the immigrant girl will become Lady Aberdare.

## ORATORY HOLDS STAGE TONIGHT

Earlham Students Will Strive for Honor of Going to State Contest.

IT LOOKS LIKE SMELSER

WINNER OF LAST YEAR'S CONTEST AGAIN IN COLLEGE AND IS SAID TO HAVE SPLENDID SUBJECT.

What should be one of the best oratorical contests that has ever taken place at Earlham College will be held this evening. The keenest interest is being taken by the students and various opinions are expressed as to the probable winner. The race has however, in the minds of the majority narrowed down to Smelser and Miles but others insist that their favorites will put up a strong fight for first place.

Smelser who won the college contest last year is an excellent speaker and his production last year received a high rank on thought.

## Miles is New Student.

Miles is a new student from Oregon. He has had considerable experience in speaking and at the primary contests at the college those who heard him were delighted with his grace and delivery. The man of the strong bidder for a place, some are looking forward to his carrying off first place. Hoelcher is an able speaker and debater.

Gardner, Moorman and Mote the remaining contestants will enter for the first time the college contest. All manuscripts were submitted to the judges on thought and their grades will be handed in Monday. These judges were A. W. Macy, Chicago, Ill., Miss Ruby Davis, West Town, Pa., and Rev. Clarence Case of Richmond.

## Judges on Delivery.

The judges on delivery are Rev. Alfred Ware, Richmond, Prof. W. M. Trueblood and Prof. Elbert Russell of Earlham.

In addition to the oratorical program several musical numbers will be rendered by the Ladies' Double Quartet and the Men's Male Quartet.

## Music at First M. E.

Mrs. Alethea Logan sang the solo "The Gate of Life," by Piccolomini, at the First M. E. church last night. Miss Pearl Friedley took the place in the quartet of Mrs. Ray Longnecker, who was unable to take part because of the illness of her little daughter.

## Game Was Postponed.

Cambridge City, Dec. 9. (Spl.)—The game arranged for between the Tigers of this city and the West Enders of New Castle, to be played on the L. E. & W. grounds this afternoon was postponed on account of bad weather.

## RUPLE IS BAILED OUT LANDWEHR TO THE RESCUE

Well Known Horseman Paid Board Bill and Thought that Would End the Matter, but He Was Compelled to go \$25 More.

William Landwehr, a well known horseman of this city, came into contact with the many intricacies of the law yesterday with a jar. Landwehr wished to get John Ruple, the man who was accused of beating a board bill from the Windsor Hotel, out of the city and thought that the way to do it was to settle the bill. Landwehr, who became acquainted with Ruple during the latter's short stay in the city, and took pity on the man in his trouble, so he went to the Windsor yesterday afternoon and made a settlement with "Mein Host" Whelan. He then journeyed to police headquarters expecting to have Ruple released, but then found that before the latter could be allowed to go free, a \$25 cash bond would have to be placed for Ruple's appearance in police court this morning. Sergeant McManus took "the green" and Ruple was allowed to once more get a breath of the free outside air. His case will be heard in police court this morning.

## HIGH LICENSE LAW LIKELY TO PASS

Local Saloon Keeper Says He Don't Think Measure Would Lessen Drinking.

## REASONS ARE SET FORTH

DAYTON AND OTHER OHIO CITIES ARE CITED BY HIM WHERE PEOPLE, HE CLAIMS, ARE AS INTEMPERATE AS BEFORE.

Richmond saloonists have been apprised of the fact that there likely will be an effort made at the coming session of the Indiana Legislature to enact a law which will provide a \$1,000 retail liquor license fee. It is understood that the liquor dealers of the State will lobby against the proposed measure, though none of the local saloon men talked to could give any information on this subject. One Richmond saloon proprietor said: "I should not be surprised if such a law were enacted. The style has been set in Ohio and in the city of Chicago. It is my humble belief, however, that the measure will not do what temperance people have hoped for it. All claims made by them are to the effect that as high license will lessen the number of drinking places, so therefore, will it diminish the drinking."

## Cites Dayton and Ohio Cities.

In a degree, a very small degree, this will be the case. But look at Dayton and other Ohio cities. The small 'try' have been frozen out because of high license. Drinking has been concentrated to a few places and the proprietors of these places are doubling their profits. But brewers and whiskey distillery men say that as much beer and whiskey is sold in Ohio now as before the high license came. Again, the law fails as a revenue maker. A hundred saloons paying a moderate license fee will give the government of a state or city as much revenue as an exorbitant license paid by half the number. As I said before, however, I will not be surprised if the legislature passes a high license law. I would continue in business just the same and I would naturally expect to double my business and probably would, for there will be less competition."

## HAD USED COLD STORAGE

Walter S. Ratliff Shows What "Old Wayne" was up Against at Horticultural Meeting.

Walter S. Ratliff who had charge of Wayne County's exhibit at the recent meeting of the State Horticultural Society at Indianapolis stated last night that "Wayne" won several first prizes at the meeting, and had it not been for the fact that several other exhibitors had access to cold storage, and preserved several kinds of fruit in excellent manner, "Old Wayne" would have landed higher in the first class.

## TO INVESTIGATE CHARGES

Claimed That Government Contractors are not Adhering to the Eight Hour Law.

[Publishers' Press.] Portsmouth, N. H., Dec. 9.—United States Marshall Nette today served summons on several government employees of the navy yard to appear at Concord, on December 11, to give evidence before the federal grand jury in regard to the alleged violation of the 8 hour law by contractors engaged in doing government work at the navy yard.

## PRESIDENT GIVES QUICK ANSWER TO BELLAMY STORER

In His Characteristic Manner Roosevelt Makes Plain Dealings He Had with the Former Ambassador.

## STORER CHARGED WITH DISHONORABLE CONDUCT

His Use of Private Correspondence is Criticised and Ungratefulness Severely Condemned.

[Publishers' Press.] Washington, D. C., Dec. 9.—President Roosevelt issued a statement from the White House tonight in answer to the correspondence made by Bellamy Storer, in which President Roosevelt was charged with having intervened at the Vatican in behalf of Archbishop Ireland and then having been guilty of a grave injustice in criticizing Mrs. Storer and in removing Bellamy from the diplomatic service.

The President's statement takes the form of a letter addressed to Secretary of State Root, and bearing the date December 2. It consists of correspondence that has passed between the President and the Storers and his explanation of them as bearing on the matters of the controversy.

## Charges Dishonorable Conduct.

The President charges the former ambassador with dishonorable conduct in putting down the substance of private conversation; declares that it is "hard to find the exact word to criticize Mr. Storer's efforts to twist the meaning" of a letter written Mrs. Storer in reference to sending her husband as special ambassador to the wedding of the King of Spain; brands as untrue the statement that he authorized Storer to present his desires to the Pope; quotes a letter to show "Mr. Storer's statement false" relative to the allegation that the President counseled circumlocution; denies knowledge of Storer ever having called at the Vatican, and characterizes Storer's charge that he did as "pure after thought."

## Says Storer Was Rebuked.

The President says that Storer was rebuked for having written a letter to Senator Hanna complaining of the manner in which Consul Hurst was dismissed from the service. Storer offered to resign, but asked that his retirement be made to appear voluntary and the President in response said there was no occasion for his resignation. He said he regarded the incident as closed. In commenting upon this matter and in concluding his letter to Secretary Root, the President says:

"With peculiar perfidy Mr. Storer now seeks to turn this act of cordial and I think I may add generous, friendship on my part, into an attack upon me by treating my refusal to accept his resignation as an endorsement of his position in the matter of the Vatican, to which there was absolutely no allusion whatever of my kind or sort in his letter of resignation. This bare recital of facts is in itself the severest possible condemnation of Mr. Storer's disingenuousness."

## FUNDS ARE EXHAUSTED CANNOT BORROW MORE

Teamsters' Union Has Spent \$60,000 in Defending Its Leaders and the Street Car Union Refuses to Loan Them Needed Money.

[Publishers' Press.] Chicago, Dec. 9.—With the \$60,000 fund raised by Chicago labor unions to defend the leaders of the teamsters' organization from conspiracy charges exhausted, President Fitzpatrick, of the Chicago Federation of Labor has named a committee to secure \$10,000 more, and even this, it is admitted may not be enough to conclude the case.

The teamsters' treasury is completely exhausted and an attempt was made some time ago to borrow \$10,000 from the street car men's union, a proposition which the latter organization promptly refused.

## DATE SET FOR ARMY AND NAVY BALL GAME

[Publishers' Press.] Annapolis, Md., Dec. 9.—May 25 has been selected as the date for the sixth annual baseball contest between Army and Navy and the game will be played at West Point, according to mutual agreement the series of victories now standing, Army 3, Navy 2, and it is interesting that neither team has won on its own grounds.

## MISS BASS RETURNS HOME LIKES STAGE VERY MUCH

Will Visit Here Until Christmas and Then Will Return to Life Behind the Footlights—Has Splendid Offers.

Miss Isabell Bass who has been making a Western tour with "The Gingerbread Man" opera company has returned home for a several days visit. Although Miss Bass liked the company and her work very much she grew home sick for Richmond and decided to return until Christmas. The "Gingerbread Man" company is now playing engagements in Illinois. Although Miss Bass can return to the company she just left at any time this season, she chooses, she may accept a position which has been offered her with the DeWolf Hopper company. She also has an offer from "The Umpire" company soon to open in New York for a long run. Miss Bass says that her company had been playing to packed houses and she enjoyed the life highly. Miss Bass had a dancing act and took part in a sextette stunt of song and dance.

## ADVANCE IN PRICE OF MILK LIKELY

Dairymen Say Expenses Are Too High to Permit Price of 5 Cents a Quart.

## MANY LEAVE THE BUSINESS

FEED, LABOR AND EVERYTHING CONNECTED WITH RUNNING A DAIRY ARE SAID TO HAVE GONE UP CONSIDERABLY.

It is one of two things for Richmond milk consumers in a short time, if the present condition keeps up—either do without milk, or pay more than five cents a quart for it. Dairymen of Richmond are now complaining that the expenses connected with conducting their dairies is too high to permit them to continue selling milk at five cents a quart. They say that the cost of feed, of labor, cows and all necessities connected with supplying the public with milk has greatly advanced, while the price of milk has remained the same. A number of dairymen have been forced out of the business in this city as well as in smaller towns throughout the county. Several have tried the business seeing that the field was not fully taken, but did not remain long at it. About all who now supply the people of Richmond with milk are the old time dairymen, who have so fitted up their farms for the purpose that they cannot well leave the business without a loss.

## How Expenses Have Advanced.

Milk sells for five cents in Richmond now and sold for that ten years ago, yet the price of brand and middlings sold for now food is \$20 per ton where it was formerly \$7 and \$8. Hay sells from \$12 to \$18; was formerly about \$6. Corn ranges from 35 to 55 cents per bushel in contrast with 20 and 25 cents ten years ago. Labor is thirty to forty per cent higher, while the price of milk cows is greatly advanced. As one dairymen, who supplied a large part of the city, put it, the milkmen are barely eking out an existence. He scouts the idea of there being such a thing as a milk trust unless it could be done among the creameries. The creameries send their wagons out to the farmers to buy up milk and pay such a price that the farmers will not sell to local dairymen. Richmond milkmen say that it might be that the creameries so control the price of butter that they are able to pay a good price for milk and hence will force up the retail price. At Cambridge City, the price has already been advanced to seven cents and still there is not enough to supply the demand.

## Bible Study Class.

There will be a meeting at the Grace M. E. church this evening at 7:30 o'clock, for the purpose of organizing a bible study class.

## Don't Let up! Do Your Buying Now!

Don't let up! Continue shopping early—early in the day and early in December! It means so much to the shop girl who must stand for hours behind the counter waiting upon on throngs of anxious holiday buyers. Consider others! It is just as easy to do your shopping NOW, when the stores are not so crowded as during the final days before Christmas when they are packed with serging masses of humanity. SHOP EARLY—EARLY IN THE DAY AND EARLY IN DECEMBER.

## CLASS OF FORTY INITIATED WITH FINE CEREMONIES

Knights of Columbus, Assisted by Out-of-Town Degree Teams, Add Materially to Their Membership.

## THE ENTIRE DAY GIVEN OVER TO FESTIVITIES

Occasion Perhaps the Most Enjoyable Richmond Council Has Enjoyed in Its History—The New Members.

## THE NEW KNIGHTS.

The members of the class which yesterday received the three degrees of the order of the Knights of Columbus, follow: Rev. Michael O'Flanagan, Thos. Brennan, Harry H. Brehm, Jos. S. McDivitt, Louis S. Foley, F. P. Quigley, P. J. Connel, P. P. Keller, John Hoffman, W. J. Hamilton, C. V. Ringhoff, C. O. Sauer, M. J. Cunningham, Jas. Oates, M. O'Donnell, C. Roach, H. C. Rohe, D. Harrigan, H. J. Pohlmeier, A. W. Ringhoff, H. B. Geler, Jas. P. Dillon, M. H. Ratterman, Geo. C. Zwissler, Geo. L. Thomas, J. N. Noland, John J. O'Dea, Geo. Pfarr, E. Roach, C. H. Shafer, L. C. Gausepohl, Harry F. Nolan, John F. McGrath, Wm. Hobin, Robert A. Luken, James P. Garvey, Fred Foley, Leon B. Huck.

Richmond council, Knights of Columbus, added to its membership roll yesterday when a class of about forty received the degrees that took them into full fellowship in the order; it also added substantially to its reputation for hospitality by entertaining a large number of Knights from surrounding towns and cities. The occasion was perhaps the most enjoyable that Richmond Council has experienced in its history and certainly no similar function given under the auspices of any fraternal organization in Richmond was more successfully carried out. Special High Mass at St. Mary's Catholic church in the forenoon was attended by Richmond Council and the visiting Knights. The conferring of the three degrees occupied most of the day, the concluding ceremonies taking place in the evening. The staff from Richmond Council, exemplified the First degree; Cincinnati council's staff, the second; and Hamilton council's staff, the third. The latter staff was accompanied by M. O. Burns, district deputy of the Knights of Columbus. The beautiful and impressive ritualistic work of the order was never more forcefully exemplified in all degrees than yesterday. The work was done in the Odd Fellows hall.

## Feasts of Good Things.

A noon-day feast was served by the Ladies Auxiliary of the Ancient Order.

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## A COW BELL BEING USED

## TO PROTECT THE SKATERS

When Bandmen See There is a "Spill" on Floor at Coliseum They Are Supposed to Make Good Use of the Bell.

The members of the Richmond City Band now have to perform a double duty at the Coliseum. In addition to playing, they have to keep a sharp look out for any "spills" that occur on the floor while the people are skating, and should any body take a sudden liking to the floor and perform fancy "stunts" on their eyebrows, the members of the band have to ring a large bell to warn the other skaters to look out. The bell resembles a cow bell to a great extent, and when it peals rang out Saturday night for the first time, the skaters almost fainted with fright. Owing to the great number of skaters on the floor each skating night, a fall by any one, is dangerous as many are always sure to follow and it is thought that the use of the bell will greatly protect the skaters, as they can hereafter look ahead when the gong rings.

## CUT RATE DRUG STORE

Courts at Indianapolis to Determine if They Can be Maintained—First Decision Given.

Right of a retail drug dealer to cut the price on patent medicines is involved in a suit at Indianapolis, the preliminary ruling in which has been decided in favor of the retailer, it being held that a wholesale company cannot discriminate among its customers. The case has been appealed and a final ruling is awaited with interest.